



## Senate

General Assembly

February Session, 2010

**File No. 111**

Senate Bill No. 291

*Senate, March 24, 2010*

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through SEN. SLOSSBERG of the 14th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

### ***AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 4-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

3 Except as otherwise provided by statute, on or before March 1, 1975,  
4 and quadrennially thereafter, the Governor shall, with the advice and  
5 consent of [either house] both houses of the General Assembly,  
6 appoint each department head in the manner prescribed by section 4-7  
7 and section 4-8, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor but no longer  
8 than four years from the first day of March in the year of his or her  
9 appointment, unless reappointed under the provisions of said sections.  
10 In the event a department head is not appointed or an incumbent  
11 reappointed in the manner prescribed in section 4-8 prior to the first  
12 day of March in the year of the appointment, the incumbent may serve  
13 beyond that date but not later than the tenth day of March in that year.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	4-6
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**GAE**      *Joint Favorable*

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

***Explanation***

The bill, which requires the advice and consent of both houses of the General Assembly for the appointment of department heads, instead of either house does not result in a fiscal impact.

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***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

**OLR Bill Analysis****SB 291*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the governor to get the advice and consent of both chambers of the General Assembly instead of only one when appointing Executive Branch department heads. By law, unchanged by the bill, the governor submits the nomination to either chamber for confirmation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2010

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 15      Nay 0      (03/10/2010)